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Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our sixth-form prospectus, an online only edition for the first time ever! Whether you are currently studying at John Kyrle High School or considering becoming one of the many students who join us in the sixth form, I hope we can support your choices.

We are running some in-lesson induction during November, including making sixth formers available to talk about their experiences. In addition, when allowed, we are running socially-distanced tours of the school for those new to us. In an increasingly on-line world, we want to support students making real choices by talking to real people - while applying the current covid rules rigorously, of course.

We are hugely proud of the sixth form at John Kyrle High School. Our A*-B pass rate has been above 60% for the last eight consecutive years. We were proud to be awarded a top 2% national grading for value added by ALPS for the 2019 results (the last time it was awarded in a pre-covid world). Our Year 12 retention rate is strong, and our overall pass rate is usually 98%-100% making us the most successful sixth-form provider in the area.

Despite the challenges of the new A-level syllabus, our record of helping students reach ambitious futures is exemplary. In 2020 all students who wanted to gain a place at university did so, the vast majority at their first-choice institution. Students also gained places in employment, further study and apprenticeships - all in a very challenging environment. We have a history of our students attending the best institutions and over the last five years more than 30% of all university destinations were for Russell Group berths, including Oxford and Cambridge.

At John Kyrle we are committed to the best futures for our students. To that end, we will advise that preferably three subjects are studied at A level. Four subjects can still be selected after consultation with the sixth-form team. John Kyrle sixth form has made a strong transition to the "new" A-level courses. Teachers ensure early development of advanced skills and maintain the outstanding academic outcomes for students that are the hallmark of our sixth form. Our preferred entrance requirement is five grade 5s at GCSE, including mathematics and an English qualification. Students will be informed if subjects become oversubscribed.

The application process need not be fraught, and we will, as always, treat each individual application on its merits. Generally, all our subjects run within the timetabled school hours, but very occasionally subjects run after-school sessions. Although unlikely, if this is the case parents/carers would be responsible for transport. We would work with them on this.

For any specific careers advice please refer your son/daughter to Mrs Knapper, their tutor, mentor, or contact me at school. Students are entering an ever-more competitive world, whether they are headed to university, employment or further training. We maintain our commitment to achieving "first choice futures for all". We very much hope you will choose to join us in this endeavour.

Yours sincerely

Rob Wallace

Head of Sixth From















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